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I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled

"UPWARD ACTING SECTIONAL DOOR WITH PINCH RESISTANT EDGE PROFILE
BETWEEN DOOR PANELS",

the specification of which is attached hereto.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to in this declaration.

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ENTITLED: "UPWARD ACTING SECTIONAL DOOR WITH PINCH RESISTANT
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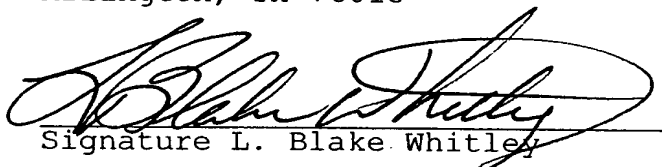
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